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1. **History.** The first law pertaining to the control of contagious and infectious diseases of livestock under veterinary supervision was passed by the territorial assembly of 1887. The livestock sanitary board was created during the 1907 legislative assembly. The five members were appointed by the governor. In 1949 the law was amended to add two additional board members. In 1989 the law was amended to change the name to state board of animal health.
2. **Board membership.** The board consists of eight members appointed by the governor for seven-year terms. One member shall be engaged in commercial beef cattle production, one engaged in registered purebred beef cattle production, one member in dairy cattle production, one a swine producer, one a sheep producer, one a bison producer, and two practicing veterinarians. A veterinarian in the department of veterinary and microbiological sciences at North Dakota state university, as chosen by the board, acts as consulting veterinarian. No person may be appointed to more than two 7-year terms on the board.
3. **State veterinarian.** The commissioner, with the consent of the board, appoints the state veterinarian and deputy state veterinarian. The state veterinarian and the deputy state veterinarian must be graduate veterinarians. At the request of the board, the commissioner shall deputize persons licensed to practice veterinary medicine in this state as assistant state veterinarians. Deputized persons shall serve during periods of emergency and only for the time period determined by the board.
4. **Inquiries.** Inquiries regarding the board may be addressed to the state veterinarian:

State Veterinarian
State Board of Animal Health
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 602
Bismarck, North Dakota 58501-0020

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